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Timothy Ray Miller
18271 East State Highway 76
Rocky Comfort, MO 64861

OFFICIAL WARNING

Re: Reference number MO09029 AC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Why You Are Receiving This Letter

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described in the attached Official Warning. Our agency, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), is responsible for enforcing the AWA, and other agriculture laws that help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases, and ensure the welfare of animals.

After providing you with an opportunity for a hearing, we may impose civil penalties of up to \$3,750, or other sanctions, for each violation described in this Official Warning. Although we generally pursue penalties for this type of violation(s), we have decided not to pursue penalties in this instance so long as you comply, in the future, with laws that APHIS enforces.

Consequences Of Continuing Non-Compliance

If you violate laws that APHIS enforces in the future, we may pursue criminal penalties, or we may pursue civil penalties for the violations described in this Official Warning, in addition to any penalties we may pursue for any future violations.

What To Do If You Have Questions

If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning, contact Tyrese Coleman at (301) 851-2758 or call our main office number at (301) 851-2948.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



**OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

CASE NUMBER:
MO09029 AC

VIOLATOR:
Timothy Ray Miller

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):
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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

Date of Violation: October 24, 2007 and November 14, 2007

9 C.F.R. § 2.1(a)(1) Requirements and application. You operated or intended to operate as a dealer without a valid USDA license.

On October 24, 2007, you sold, in commerce, for compensation or profit, 7 dogs to a broker without a valid USDA license.

On November 14, 2007, you sold, in commerce, for compensation or profit, 6 dogs to a broker without a valid USDA license.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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